

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-11 were pending in the present application. Claims 1-4 have been canceled herein. Thus claims 5-11 are now pending. The applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The applicant notes with appreciation the acknowledgement of the claim for priority under section 119 and the notice that all certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

The applicant acknowledges and appreciates receiving a copy of the form PTO-1449 submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 20, 2003 on which the Examiner has initialed all listed items.

Claims 1-5 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being allegedly anticipated by Yokota, U.S. Patent No. 6,587,787 B1. Claims 1-4 are canceled herein and will not be discussed. The rejection is otherwise respectfully traversed.

In making the rejection of claim 5, the Examiner asserts that Yokota discloses features thereof including, for example, display control means *for differentiating a font type for the characters indicating an operating item to be highlighted from a font type for the characters indicating remaining operating items*, when various kinds of operating items for operating the navigation apparatus are displayed in the display screen by using the plural types of fonts stored in the character data storing means. Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's characterization of Yokota.

A close review of Yokota reveals only a description of font sizes and font styles associated for different geographic based on position category and class of data displayed. Yokota fails to disclose or suggest, for example, the feature of differentiating a font type for the

characters indicating an operating item to be highlighted from a font type for the characters indicating remaining operating items. Reference can be made to Fig 6 of Applicant's specification and the attendant description, for example in the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 19, to better understand this distinction.

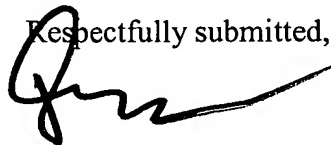
Accordingly, for at least the reasons set forth hereinabove, a *prima facie* case of anticipation has not properly been established in that the applied reference fails to disclose all the claimed features as required. It is respectfully requested that the rejection of independent claim 5 be reconsidered and withdrawn.

The indication of allowability with regard to claims 6-11 is noted with appreciation, however, claims 6-11, by virtue of depending from independent claim 5, are allowable for at least the reasons set forth hereinabove. It is respectfully requested therefore that claims 6-11 be allowed along with claim 5.

In view of the foregoing, the applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. A timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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Respectfully submitted,



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